(b) who submits to Government the list of candidates suitable for such appointments in each district;

(c) whether in any of these lists the names of Muhammadans were ever included during the last ten years;

(d) why no information is available in the Secretariat; and

(e) whether papers relating to such appointments are transferred to the districts for custody or are retained in the Madras Government Secretariat office?

A.—(a) & (b) Government pleaders and public prosecutors are usually appointed by the Government on the nomination of the District Magistrate made in consultation with the Sessions Judge.

(c) Yes, on one or two occasions.

(d) The answer to question No. 59 only referred to information as regards the names of gentlemen considered by Collectors and District Magistrates before making their nominations.

(e) They are retained in the Secretariat.

Representation of Ceded districts among Deputy Inspectors and Sub-Assistant Inspectors.

733 Q.—Mr. K. SARABHA REDDI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state with the help of statistics—

(a) how many persons from the subordinate branch of the educational service were recommended by inspectors in the Ceded districts for appointment as Deputy Inspectors;

(b) how many such persons are natives of the Ceded districts;

(c) the names of the qualified graduates who are natives of the Ceded districts with the total service and the present pay of each individual; and

(d) the total number of vacancies in the cadre of sub-assistants during the year 1921–22 and the number of appointments made from among the natives of the Ceded districts to fill up those vacancies?

A.—The Government have no information, but will call for it.

Irrigation projects relating to Ceded districts.

734 Q.—Mr. K. SARABHA REDDI: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether any projects were taken up for execution in the Presidency during the years commencing from 1918; and

(b) whether any projects relating to the Ceded districts were pending consideration from 1918 onwards; if so, how many were taken up and how many were abandoned with specific reasons for the latter?

A.—(a) No fresh schemes were taken up for execution from 1918 onwards, but several projects already in progress of execution were continued.

(b) A statement giving the information asked for is laid on the table.*

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* Vide Appendix A on page 1420 infra.

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Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Sir, I wish to know whether there are no projects in the Bellary district which are pending consideration."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Habib-ul-lah Sahib Bahadur :—" I think, Sir, there are some. I cannot enumerate them now."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Will the Government then supply that omission in the answer as the question relates to the Ceded districts among which surely Bellary is one ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Habib-ul-lah Sahib Bahadur :—" As regards the second supplementary question, the answer to (*b*) furnishes the information."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" There is no mention of the Bellary district in the appendix to part (*b*) of the question."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Habib-ul-lah Sahib Bahadur :—" They are the only schemes relating to the Ceded districts. If the hon. Member wants any information regarding the Bellary district particularly, it is open to him to send a fresh question."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" May I say, Sir, that the hon. the Revenue Member gave me to understand in his first reply that there were some schemes relating to the district of Bellary which were under consideration. I wanted that these schemes should be mentioned because the answer is required by the question."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Habib-ul-lah Sahib Bahadur :—" The first part of the question relates to the schemes in the Presidency."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" I asked : were there any schemes in the Bellary district and the reply was that there were."

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Habib-ul-lah Sahib Bahadur :—" I am sorry that I did not hear the hon. Member."

Rao Bahadur C. Venkata Ranga Reddi :—" Is there any prospect of these projects being taken up early ? "

The hon. Khan Bahadur Sir Muhammad Habib-ul-lah Sahib Bahadur :—" Yes, if finances are provided."

Tokapalli irrigation project—Kurnool district.

735 Q.—Mr. K. Sarabha Reddi : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Tokapalli project in the Kurnool district has been under the consideration of the Chief Engineer to the Government ; and

(*b*) the total cost of the estimate and the whole ayacut under the project ?

A.—(*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) The estimated cost of the scheme is about Rs. 17 lakhs and the ayacut proposed is 4,600 acres.

President of the Anantapur District Board.

736 Q.—Mr. P. Siva Rao : Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the President of the Anantapur District Board was absent from British India for about six months on a deputation